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The following is an extract from the quarterly analysis of the material situation within the factories under the Main Administration Radio and Telecommunications: (MVRTR) in the Ministry for Machine Construction. The analysis, which is dated 9 April 1954, covers the period 1 January to 31 March 1954.

- a. The Ministry for Machine Construction has inaugurated a section (M32M) for the elimination of stocks in excess of plan. It is expected that these stocks will decrease as a result of the action. The extent of stocks in excess of plan cannot be exactly stated at present. Within the metallurgical sector, about 120,000 metric tons of semi-finished ferrous metal products and about 60,000 metric tons of non-ferrous metal were marketed "operatively" (operativ umgesetzt) during the first quarter 1954.
- b. The materials allotted to HV KFT for the fulfillment of plan tasks represent on the average about 80 percent of the old plan allotments. Thus far, not all the changes of material planning advanced for the purpose of increasing production have been considered by the Main Department for Material Economy. The balances now being drawn up by the Main Department pertain to the material demand of the old VEB plan as of February 1954. As a result, various plan positions are not covered sufficiently, such as automatic lathe steel (plan position 1316210), the requirements of which are only 60 percent covered. Moreover, only 20 percent of this insufficient allotment is available, since import deliveries are lagging and basic material for production within East Germany is lacking.
- c. The bottleneck in lathe steel necessarily hampered the production of bright steel screws (plan position 4018100) so that a disastrous situation has arisen with regard to this plan position.
- d. A similar situation prevails with regard to other plan positions listed below:
- 1314232 Transformer sheet metal  
1314233 Drawn metal sheets (lack of import for sheets under 0.9 mm)

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1322200 Rolled products from brass (coverage 65%)  
1322400 Rolled products from nickel (coverage 70%)  
1322510 Rolled products from aluminum (coverage 70%)  
4715150 Aluminum shaped castings (coverage 75%)  
5135161 Insulation lines (coverage 55%)  
5135162 Rubber tubing (coverage 75%)  
5135990 Other cables and lines (coverage 60%)  
5141120 Lead batteries for electrically powered vehicles (coverage 40%)  
5141200 Stationary lead batteries (coverage 30%)  
5141300 Alkaloid batteries (coverage 45%)

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